

I am writing in support of bills 4497, 4498, and 4499. I believe that state prisoners should be granted the opportunity to accumulate good time credits for positive behavior. This would bring incentive to the prison population to work towards and achieve positive goals resulting in their practice of good behavior. Granting good time would bring positive reinforcement and rewards for being conscious of one's self and their decision making capabilities reflecting a real life scenario and preparing Michigan's prisoners for a successful reentry into our society. It makes no sense to only reward county prisoners for good behavior when their incarceration periods are much shorter and the benefits of practicing long-term positive behavior rewards far outweigh any reform that happens in a county prison. State prisoner reform would be greater if good behavior was rewarded.

Concerned Citizen,

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